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Part B for April, 34

SUBJECT.

Appreciation of the Services of Rao Sahib A Khan Asst Secy Mysore Railways.

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I beg to submit herewith a statement showing the train mileage, Gross Earnings, Working Expenses etc., for the past 12 years commencing fro 1921-22.

It will be seen there from, that though the train mileage has increased from 8 lakhs in 1921-22 to about 12 lakhs in 1932-33 due to the running of extra shuttle and other services to cope with traffic and to overcome bus competition, the Working Expenses as well as the cost of consumption of coal have been brought down very considerably.

The Ordinary Working Expenses which were Rs.25 lakhs in 1921-22 have been reduced to Rs.21,35,000 in 1932-33 inspite of abnormal increase in train mileage from 8 lakhs to 12 lakhs.

Extract from the Audit & Appropriation Report for 1931-32 is placed below for perusal showing the gradual and substantial reduction year after year in the cost of coal consumed. The savin under Coal only during the time I have had the hono of being the head of the Railway Administration in Mysore have been in the neighbourhood of Rs.20 lakhs if train mileage is taken into consideration, with a recurring saving of Rs 2 1/2 to 3 lakhs a year in

The Public Accounts Committee in their Report on the Accounts for 1931-32 have remarked, that there have been no dafalcations and irregularities in the Department and the irregularities referred to are only Accounts

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irregularities (vide extract placed below).

The Public Accounts Committee of this year held recently at Bangalore has also repeated the same remark.

As I am shortly leaving Mysore service, I should be exceedingly grateful to Government, if this note is submitted for the gracious information of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, in whose service, it has been an honor and a privilege to devote my youth.

DEWAN'S OFFICE
3 APR. 1934
No. 5236

Secretary for Railways
Government of Mysore.
2nd April 1934.

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May I request you to put a S.R.?

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Statement showing Train Mileage, Gross Earnings, Working Expenses (Ordinary) and Percentage of Working Expenses to Gross Earnings for twelve years from 1921-22 to 1932-33.

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Year.	Train Mileage.	Gross Earnings.	Working Expenses.	Percentage of Working Expenses to Gross Earnings.	Cost of coal consumed in thousands.
1.	2.	3. Rs.	4. Rs.	5.	6.
1921-22	8,08,000	30,04,082	25,25,543	84.07	607
1922-23	8,62,000	32,02,564	24,27,911	75.81	603
1923-24	7,48,401	31,39,371	23,13,628	73.70	571
1924-25	8,16,887	34,46,949	23,28,906	67.56	547
1925-26	8,48,611	34,66,064	23,32,328	67.29	534
1926-27	8,55,717	35,60,369	23,55,547	66.16	556
1927-28	8,85,080	38,04,000	22,64,000	59.50	437
1928-29	9,37,855	37,45,000	23,11,000	60.12	422
1929-30	9,92,354	38,48,000	23,72,000	61.64	419
1930-31	9,88,540	32,77,000	22,62,000	69.03	389
1931-32	9,97,405	31,27,000	21,52,000	68.82	389
1932-33	11,85,547	31,49,000	21,35,000	67.79	423

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AUDIT AND APPROPRIATION ACCOUNTS

OF

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THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE

FOR THE YEAR

1932-33.

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THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE

FOR THE YEAR

1931-32.

Fuel.

287. The following statement shows the cost of consumption of coal during the last seven years per 100 train and Ton miles.

Year	Total quantity of coal issued	Price		Value (cost and freight)	Train mileage	Total Tonnage (goods and passenger)	Ton mileage coaching and goods	Expenditure per 100 train miles		Cost of coal per 100 ton miles	
		Cost at pits mouth	Freight					Quantity	Cost	Quantity	Cost
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	Tons.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.				Tons.	Rs.	Tons.	Rs.
1925-26	23,835	5 8 0	19 12 0	5,34,181	8,48,611	7,40,687	25,692,809	2·45	62·89	0·08	2·08
1926-27	22,062	4 12 0	20 4 0	5,56,129	8,55,717	7,42,462	25,850,195	2·57	64·95	0·09	2·15
1927-28	20,204	5 13 4	14 12 8	4,36,953	8,85,080	8,08,582	27,889,274	2·28	49·49	0·07	1·57
1928-29	21,307	5 13 4	12 2 8	4,21,659	9,87,855	8,29,944	27,649,306	2·27	44·98	0·08	1 53
1929-30	25,742	5 0 0	11 0 0	4,19,497	9,92,354	8,45,272	28,902,756	2·59	42·33	0·09	1·45
1930-31	24,826	5 0 0	10 11 0	3,89,152	9,88,540	7,44,482	26,432,897	2·51	39·33	0·09	1·47
1931-32	25,460	5 0 0	10 5 0	3,88,725	9,97,405	6,95,672	26,548,245	2·55	38·97	0·09	1·46

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE, 1931-32.

General.

The year has been practically free from defalcations and loss of materials. The irregularities referred to by the Comptroller are more or less account irregularities.

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6 APR. 1934
No. 6246....

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For Dewan's information.

D.S.N. submitted.

*(based on the Railway Capital and Revenue a/cs.)

The figures* furnished by the Agent have been verified and found correct as far as they go. But he has omitted Depreciation contribution or charges on account of replacement and renewal from the figure of working expenses. This is not correct as these also form part of working expenses.

The statistics now furnished are the same as those furnished by Mr. Khan in page 7 of his note put up in the year 1931 and submitted to His Highnes except that the actuals of the years 1931-32 and 1932-33 have also been included now.

How these figures should be interpreted and what inference should be drawn from them and what other facts and figures should be taken into consideration for judging results are matters of opinion.

Three points are mentioned in this note, viz., (1) reduction of working expenses, (2) reduction under coal charges and (3) absence of irregularities as stated by the Public Accounts Committee.

The reduction of expenses during recent years is not a feature peculiar to our railways. Reduced expenditure in the last few years is due to the fall in prices and enforced economy consequent on reduced revenue are common features in all Railways and in all Governments and no special credit need be taken by any one for the same. The net receipts from our Railways have fallen during the last few years, vide statement

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statement below (based on the figures in the General Finance & Revenue Accounts of the State).

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Rupees in lakhs.

Year.	Total Capital Outlay.	Gross earnings.	Working expenses.	Net earnings.	Percentage of 3 to 2	Percentage of 5 to 2.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs		
27-28.	317.50	38.28	27.26	11.02	12.5	3.5
28-29.	327.08	38.71	30.21	8.50	11.9	2.6
29-30	355.86	38.03	30.34	7.69	10.7	2.1
30-31	369.04	33.11	29.10	4.01	8.9	1.8
31-32	372.99	30.20	25.99	4.21	8.0	1.1
32-33	376.23	30.58	25.93	4.65	8.1	1.2

Reduction in the cost of coal is due to the use since 1927-28, of Singereni coal in place of Bengal coal costing less in freight. But the quantity used per ton mile or train mile has not shown any reduction.

The remarks of the Public Accounts Committee are confined only to the account irregularities referred to in the Audit and Appropriation Report which has a limited scope and does not cover all relevant points.

It cannot be stated that our Railways are in a perfect condition now or that there is nothing more to be done to improve them or that Mr. Khan has done anything extra-ordinary or special which was not ordinarily expected of him or could and would not have been done by any officer placed in that position. To a large extent the 'time factor' plays a large part in the Successful Working of Railway Institutions and the above allowance will have to be made for this and credit not therefore claimed by individuals.

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Submitted to His Highness.

On the eve of his reversion to British Indian Servic Mr. A. A. Khan desires the accompanying note regarding his work to be placed before His Highness.

Mr. Khan's services are too well known to require support from dry statements and figures. He has spent a good portion of his time - over 11 years - in Mysore Service, earne praise from all quarters and leaves the Railways in good working condition. That the Mysore Railways are not now in a better position than they are, in spite of all that he has done, is to a great extent due to their peculiar geographical position and to the evil times through which we are passing.

With His Highness's approval, I shall communicate to him the appreciation of Government for the good work done by him and the assurance that he carries with him their good wishes for his future welfare and prosperity.

Mirza M. Ismail

D E W A N.

Bangalore,
7th April 1934.

Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja.

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Order.

~~KRW~~
9/4/34.

C. Secy
Mr
11-4-34

RR
11/14/34

Appreciation of the services of Mr. A.A. Khan, Agent and Secretary, Mysore Railways.

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31. All urgent or confidential files returned with His Highness' orders may in the absence of instructions or indications to the contrary, be ordinarily circulated to the Members of Council for perusal after the issue of orders.

33. The Secretaries concerned should see that orders in the cases referred to above are issued at once and that the files are returned immediately after to the Chief Secretary for circulation to the Members.

34. In all other cases, the files will first be circulated to the Members of Council at Head-quarters and then sent to the Secretariat concerned for the issue of orders.

Circulated to Members of Council for perusal of His Highness' orders before/after issue of orders.* (*Vide Rules* 31, 33 and 34 of the Subsidiary Rules for the conduct of business of Council in the Manual of Council Rules and Procedure.)

R. Rangachar
Chief Secretary to Government.

Through the Secretary to Government,

.....Department.

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FIRST MEMBER OF COUNCIL. 12/4/34

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SECOND MEMBER OF COUNCIL.

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NOTE.—Contn. sheet.

To Mr A.A. Khan
No. 3220 d 14.4.34
Conveys the high appreciation of the Govt. of Mysore for the good work done by Mr. A.A. Khan.

Dear Mr. Khan,

On the eve of your departure from the Mysore to the Bombay, I am desired to communicate to you the high appreciation of the Government of Mysore for the good work done by you as Agent & Secy to Rys. and to assure you that you carry away with you their best wishes for your future career.

Yrs Sincy
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Dear Mr. Khan,

On the eve of your reversion from the Mysore to the British Indian Service, I am desired to communicate to you the high appreciation of the Government of Mysore for the good work done by you as Agent and Secretary for Railways and to assure you that you carry away with you their best wishes for your future career.

Yours sincerely,

RG 14/4/14

Khan Bahadur
A. A. Khan, Esq.,
Agent & Secretary to Government,
Railway Department, Mysore.

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Allahabad,
29.3.1935.

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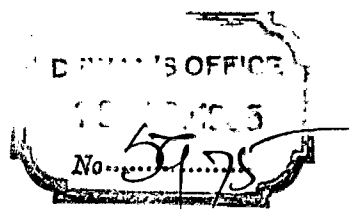
From

Khan Bahadur A.A.Khan,

8, Queen's Road,

Allahabad.



To

The Chief Secretary,

Government of Mysore,

Bangalore.

Dear Sir,

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In April last Mr. Ranga Rao, Chief Secretary, conveyed to me in a D.O. letter, the high appreciation of Mysore Government regarding my work during my 12 years stay at Mysore, and their best wishes. I have, unfortunate-ly, lost that letter; I wonder if you could kindly send me a copy.

CB.
RR
5/4/35

Many thanks,

Yours faithfully,

A.A.Khan.

Subs with a draft for approval
RR
10/4/35

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RR
6/4/35

JM
10-4-35

RR
10/4.

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No 2172/C.B. 8.4.35
Encl.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter dated 29th March 1935, I send herewith a copy of my letter No. 3220/C.B. dated 14th April 1934, conveying the ~~high~~ appreciation of the Government of Mysore of the good work done by you as Agent and Secretary for Railways in Mysore.

Yours sincerely,

Khan Bahadur
A. A. Khan, Esq.,
8, Queen's Road, Allahabad.

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Yours sincerely,

RR
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Khan Bahadur
A. A. Khan, Es
8, Queen's Road, Allahabad.

D.O. letter No.3220/C.B. 142-33-4 dated 14th April 1934 from the Chief Secretary to the Government of Mysore to Khan Bahadur Mr. A. A. Khan, Agent and Secretary to Government, Railway Department, Mysore.

On the eve of your reversion from the Mysore to the British Indian Service, I am desired to communicate to you the high appreciation of the Government of Mysore for the good work done by you as Agent and Secretary for Railways and to assure you that you carry away with you their best wishes for your future career.

"Copy."

Chief Secretary to Government.

G. R. S. App. F. G. 3.

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

(*Continuation sheet draft form.*)

To

The Secretary to Govt
for Railways.

Sir,

I am directed to return herewith Ry Sectt file No 127/E of 1931-32 ~~received~~ received with the Railway Secretary's note dy 2.4.34.

I have etc

for Chief Secy to Govt

To Mr Ry Sectt
Kindly take back
their file No 127 of 31-32
sent herewith & the
Returns thereto
dy 25/4/35.

Ry Sectt file
no. 127/E of 1931-32
taken. [illegible]
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